



**ENDING
HOMELESSNESS
IN MARYLAND.**

TOGETHER.

**SEPTEMBER 2023
Maryland BoS CoC
BOARD MEETING**



**MARYLAND
BALANCE OF STATE
CONTINUUM OF CARE**

Housekeeping

- Attendance/quorum will be taken automatically via Zoom
- This meeting will be recorded and made available to the public
- Board members should join via computer so you can participate in voting
- Public comment will be accepted at the end of the meeting

Welcome & Call to Order

Mark Sewell, Board Vice-Chair



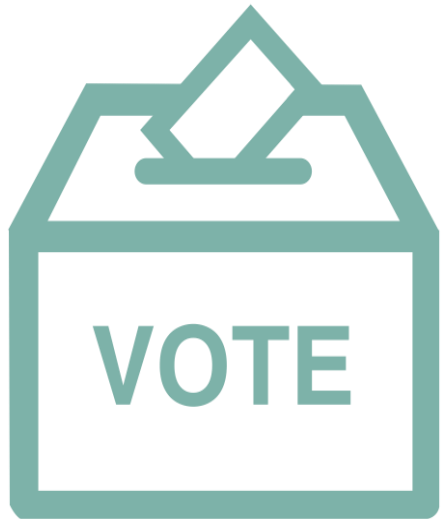
Meeting Agenda

- I. Welcome & Call to Order
- II. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
- III. Committee Reports
- IV. CoC Lead Report
- V. Local Homelessness Coalition Reports
- VI. State Agency Updates
- VII. Future Board Meeting Agenda Items
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. Adjournment

Meeting Minutes



Vote to Approve Meeting Minutes



Are there any amendments or changes to the July 2023 Board Meeting Minutes?

1. **First Motion to Take Vote**
2. **Second Motion to Take Vote**

Vote to approve using the poll on your screen.

Committee Reports



Executive Committee

Board Member Updates

Danielle Meister, new DHCD representative

HMIS Committee

Frederick County HMIS Merge

- Progressing on pace for merge date of 10/22/23

HUD HMIS Data Standards FY24

- New data standards officially start on 10/1/24
- MD BoS CoC will not update our HMIS with new data standards until approx 10/7 so that we may double check the data due for reporting using the old data standards
- **Friendly Reminder** - all grantees required to submit Sage and/or VA repository reports should double check their due dates ASAP to double check their reporting due dates
- Team HMIS will provide training to all users: 10/10 and 10/16

Quarterly HMIS User Forum moved to 10/10, 1:30pm

HUD LSA

- Team HMIS working with WellSky to do early prep and data cleanup for upcoming LSA, due 1/11/24

2024 PIT & HIC Preparation

- 2024 PIT Date: January 24, 2024
- CoC and HMIS staff will start planning in Oct

Bi-Annual PATH HMIS Refreshers by Keli Sobers (Team HMIS)

- Session #1: 2nd Wed of October, 10:00am - 11:30am
- Session #2: 2nd Wed of April, 10:00am - 11:30am

Coordinated Entry Committee

System Launch

- Harford County is the second LHC to adopt the new CES
- Allegany & Garrett Counties scheduled for November 18
- Cecil County targeted for December

Committee Meeting

- During CES roll out phase, committee meetings will focus on best practices, resource sharing

CoC Lead Agency Report

DHCD



FFY2023 CoC NOFA

35 Renewal Projects

\$5,934,373

26 Permanent Supportive Housing

5 Rapid Rehousing

2 Joint TH-RRH

1 HMIS

1 SSO - CE

8 New Projects

\$565,863

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2 Joint TH-RRH

\$6,500,236

FFY2023 CoC NOFA

35 Renewal Projects	\$5,934,373
8 New Projects	\$565,863
1 CoC Planning	\$303,749
1 DV Bonus	\$299,422
<u>TOTAL REQUEST</u>	<u>\$7,103,407</u>

FFY2023 CoC NOFA

Public Posting

- Tuesday, September 26, 2023
- Collaborative Application
- Project Priority Listing

Final Submission to HUD

- Thursday, September 28, 2023

FFY2023 CoC NOFA

Application Questions

- Reverse Criminalization Policy
- Mainstream Benefit Training
- Lived Experience Participation at LHC Level
- Lived Experience Letter
- Housing / Healthcare Leverage Letter - NEW PROJECTS

BoS Updates

New Hire

Kristen Halsey, BoS CoC Program Coordinator
Start Date: September 27

LaToya Arnold-Artis, HSP Assistant Director
Start Date: October 18

HSP Ad-Hoc Committee

LHC Board members have expressed interest in having more guidance and/or support for determining which projects should be funded at local level through HSP funds:

- Need for local project selection processes to be more transparent/inclusive to service providers
- Integration of more people with lived experience into decision-making
- Support for development of local funding strategy (data and gaps analysis, etc)
- Scoring tools and resources
- More consistency across Balance of State in funding priorities and processes

HSP Ad-Hoc Committee

Proposed Solution

CoC Board establish ad-hoc committee to develop tools, guidance, and processes for LHCs to use for HSP funding application process. The committee would present recommendations and tools to the board for approval/adoption.

Examples of possible work items:

- Develop guidelines for local LHC committees in overseeing the project selection process
- Develop shared communication standards for grantees/subgrantees
- Develop sample scoring tools LHCs could use to evaluate program design and performance
- Develop written standards for HSP

Long-term, this group could transition to become a permanent “standards committee” in the CoC governance structure for both CoC and HSP funding.

Vote to Approve Ad-HoC Committee



Do you approve the creation of an Ad HoC Committee to develop LHC level HSP Competition Policies ?

1. **First Motion to Take Vote**
2. **Second Motion to Take Vote**

Vote to approve using the poll on your screen.

HSP Shelter Improvement Process

Board Discussion

Any initial takeaways, questions, concerns based on last week's training on the toolkit?

DHCD staff can support the local process with pulling APRs, completing the performance tabs in each shelter workbook, and providing technical assistance in completing the LHC Action Plan.

➤ Reach out to Carolyn if you want assistance with any of these

CoC Training & TA Priorities

Board Discussion

DHCD has some planning grant funds available for one-time investments in training, consulting services, or other needs to support the CoC. What are the top priorities board members have right now?

Example ideas:

- Conduct a CoC gaps analysis of housing and shelter
- Create a CoC strategic investment plan/action plan
- Develop system and project level performance dashboards
- Training for frontline staff on low-barrier, housing first, trauma-informed care, problem solving conversations, etc
- Grant management training for fiscal staff
- Racial equity organizational assessment and planning (at grantee/subgrantee level)

Local Homeless Coalition Reports



LHC Reports

General Topics

- General Updates
- Where is help/collaboration/
support needed
- Peer & Resource Sharing

LHC

- Allegany
- Cecil
- Frederick
- Garrett
- Harford
- Southern MD
- Washington

State Agency Updates



Agency Reports

Agency

- Maryland Department of Disabilities
- Maryland Department of Education
- Maryland Department of Health
- Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs
- Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development
- Maryland Department of Human Services
- Maryland Department of Labor

Future Agenda Items



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Requested Items

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Public Comment



Adjournment

